

## What is Chautauqua?

Chautauqua is an educational and cultural movement that began in New York in 1874 as a summer retreat for Sunday School teachers and soon spread across the country, including to Texas.

**The Waxahachie Chautauqua** provided two weeks of education, culture, art, and recreation to the citizens of Waxahachie and across the area from 1900-1930. It attracted thousands of participants and hundreds of campers. For two weeks each summer, it became the center of cultural, social, religious, and economic life in Waxahachie.

**The Chautauqua Auditorium**, an unusual octagonal open-air auditorium, was built in 1902 to accommodate Assembly attendees. In the mid-1970s, the decaying and almost demolished auditorium was saved and restored. It was awarded a Texas Historical Marker and placed on the National Register of Historic Places.



Getzendaner Memorial Park  
400 South Grand Ave., Waxahachie, TX

**Chautauqua Preservation Society**  
[www.WaxahachieChautauqua.org](http://www.WaxahachieChautauqua.org)

### Fabien Cousteau's Undersea Mission 31



In 2014, Fabien Cousteau and his team lived for 31 days aboard the Aquarius, an 81-ton underwater research laboratory, situated 63 feet below the ocean surface in the Florida Keys.

This expedition of ocean exploration and undersea filming was a tribute to Fabien's renowned grandfather Jacques Cousteau's 30-day underwater voyage in 1963.

# CHAUTAUQUA Presents the World of WATER



**Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016**  
**9am - 5pm**

**FREE**

**Chautauqua Auditorium**  
**Waxahachie, Texas**



## CHAUTAUQUA PRESENTS the “WORLD OF WATER” Sept. 24, 2016

### Keynote Speaker – Fabien Cousteau

#### “The Great Ocean Adventure”

2016 Chautauqua keynote speaker, Fabien Cousteau, is a renowned ocean explorer and aquatic filmmaker. He is also the first grandson of the famous oceanographer Jacques Cousteau and continues his grandfather's passion for the sea.

### Water. Conservation. Landscapes.

Landscape Architect and Urban Designer Kevin Sloan challenges our ideas of the inspiring and practical role of water in our public and private spaces. His public projects are nationally and internationally recognized.

### LaBelle of Dark Waters: 300 Years Under Sea

On a cold winter day in 1687, the small French ship Belle ran aground on the Texas coast. Hear the story of its amazing excavation and the secrets it kept on the bottom of Matagorda Bay for three centuries.

### The Glass Harp: Making Glasses Sing

History, Science, and Music will interact on the Chautauqua stage when Brien Engel brings his musical glasses on Sept. 24th. Brien will present this ethereal music that goes back to the Renaissance.

### Up Close with Birds of Prey

Witness the powerful beauty of dynamic raptors as they soar through Getzendaner Park! The ancient art of falconry allows us up close and personal with these hawks, owls, falcons, eagles and other birds of prey.

### Aquaponics: The Future of Farming?

Join David Cohen from Green Phoenix Farms to explore the growing trend of bringing plants, fish & water together in your own back yard or commercially. And learn how its roots go back to ancient times!

### Water Music: Baroque to Broadway

Larry Palmer, SMU Professor Emeritus of Harpsichord and Organ, brings his beautiful harpsichord back to the Chautauqua stage. With him will be baritone Daniel Bouchard and together they will celebrate water with inspiring music and songs.

### Heroes on the Water: Helping Veterans Heal

Hear how returning veterans are helped to heal through being on the water and in the water. H.O.W. helps veterans from all branches of the military unwind using the therapeutic qualities of fishing from kayaks.

### Hovering With Drones in the Park

Join drone experts and enthusiasts to watch the latest versions of these fascinating devices up close and hovering under the trees in Getzendaner Park.

### Old-Fashioned Singers Bring Songs of Water

Old-Time Gospel Songs about rivers and waters will kick off the 2016 Chautauqua Assembly and fill the Auditorium with their glorious sounds.

### TAMU Chemistry Roadshow

TAMU students explore the wonderful world of chemistry and water through an interactive program of chemistry demonstrations and humor.

### Sea Shanties: Work Songs of the Ocean

The Stonhenj Players bring the melodies, the harmonies, and a bit of the history of sea shanties – from ancient sailing ships to the Chautauqua stage.

### Bubble Artistry

Linda Berman is the original soap bubble performer/educator in Texas. Join her in an interactive and educational program of bubble artistry.

	AUDITORIUM	PROGRAM TENT
9:00	Old-Fashioned Singers	
9:30	Opening Ceremonies	
10:00	Keynote: Fabien Cousteau	
11:00	<i>Birds of Prey</i> (In the Trees)	Water. Conservation. Landscapes.
12:00	Glass Harp with Brien Engel	La Belle Shipwreck
1:00	<i>Drone Demo</i> (In the Trees)	Aquaponics
2:00	Water Music - Harpsichord & Voice	“Heroes on the Water”
3:00	Sea Shanties	Bubble Artistry
4:00	TAMU Chemistry Roadshow (SCIENCE TENT)	

### DISPLAYS AND EXHIBITS (11am - 3:30pm)

- Texas Philatelic Association – stamp display
- Special Post Office Station
- Musical glasses (demo plus interactive)
- Rain Barrel and Water Harvesting (ECMG)
- North Texas Drone Users – demo & exhibit
- Aquaponics demo
- La Belle Shipwreck - excavated exhibits
- Prairieland Groundwater Trailer
- Heroes on the Water – kayak & fishing gear
- Honey bees and bee farming
- Bubble Artistry
- Waxahachie Chautauqua History

### Bring a Little Water to Chautauqua!



On Sept. 24 at 9am, bring a little water to Chautauqua – from your favorite river, lake, creek, ocean, pond or any other wet source. As part of Opening Ceremonies all your waters will be gathered together.